## **HOUSE BILL 2477**

## By Turner M

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8 and Title 56, relative to public officer and employee health benefits.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Beginning November 2, 2010, no newly hired, appointed or elected state officer or employee shall be eligible for state group health insurance if such state officer or employee uses tobacco products. "Tobacco products" means cigars, cheroots, stogies, beedies, bidis, cigarettes, electronic cigarettes, manufactured tobacco and snuff. The provisions of this act shall not be construed to apply to any person initially employed, appointed or elected prior to November 2, 2010.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect November 2, 2010, the public welfare requiring it.